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Armed Forces Day service at Skelmersdale War Memorial

Ex–servicemen honour those who have served

SKELMERSDALE Ex–Services Association recognised Armed Forces Day on Sunday at the War Memorial on Sandy Lane.

They assembled at the memorial shortly before 11am and there was then a service of remembrance led by local clergyman with the last post being played by a member of Skelmersdale Silver Band. A bagpiper also played, in full highland dress.

After the service they made their way up to the Wardens Club on Blaguegate Lane for refreshments with entertainment provided by one of the members, professional musician Tony Hamer, and his friends.

More pictures inside.

'ACT NOW TO FAST TRACK STATION BID'

Report by **Henry James**

Councillor claims borough schemes 'bottom of list' in county transport priority investment programme

A COUNTY councillor has demanded the local authority be more proactive in encouraging transport investment in the area after claiming proposals for a train station in Skelmersdale are 'bottom of the list' in the Transport for Lancashire investment prog–ramme to be published this week.

The scheme is part of the Department of Transport devolved funding programme.

County councillor John Fillis, who is cabinet member responsible for transport, and is also a borough councillor, claims projects in West Lancashire like the Skelmersdale train station, Burscough Curves, and the Ormskirk bypass, only get a low priority in the programme.

The Labour councillor added that he will be meeting with council leaders next week, from across the region, including Cumbria, Liverpool, Manchester and Leeds to discuss a possible new rail franchise deal to be run by local transport authorities and he says he Skelmersdale will be "on the top of my agenda".

He said: "Working together we can make the case that a train station in Skelmersdale will bring sustainable employment, and greater prosperity to the whole of West Lancashire, while improving the environment through taking cars off the road."

Last December Network Rail was approached by Merseyrail to carry out a study into the costs of providing a rail link into or close to Skelmersdale.

Cllr Fillis blamed "lacklustre support of Conservative councillors" at Lancashire County and at West Lancashire Borough Council for the lack of priority given to transport issues in the borough.

Tory borough councillor Martin Forshaw, cabinet member for development called the accusations "ridiculous" saying they had been "working tirelessly on transport issues in West Lancashire."

Geoff Driver, leader of the Conservative group at the County Council added: "Cllr Fillis would do well to compare the achievements of the Conservative administration compared with the significant lack of investment in over 20 years of Labour mismanagement at County Hall."

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Students hit the airwaves

STUDENTS from West Lancashire College have formed their own radio station.

Radio Rebels is the college's first radio show produced by students.

Level 3 art and design students, Hannah Goulding, Simon Jones and Kayleigh Hargreaves researched, recorded and produced the show which will be aired across Skelmersdale campus from June onwards.

The radio show has been created as part of the student's enterprise qualification, taken alongside the art and design course, designed to teach students how to develop an entrepreneurial mindset, create a business plan and learn about marketing strategy and financial targets.

Hannah Goulding said: "The enterprise qualification is really beneficial. It has taught me how to use different software, how to manage projects and communicate with my team properly.

"The radio show was a lot of fun to produce and has definitely increased my confidence."

For more information about West Lancashire College call 01695 52300 or visit www.westlancs.ac.uk

Radio Rebels Hannah Goulding, Simon Jones and Kayleigh Hargreaves **Code NA**

Boutique's search for video stars

Report by **Danielle Thompson**

PANDORA'S Box Lingerie Boutique in Ormskirk have launched a competition for three 'real'women to star in a promotional video and advertising campaign.

Three confident women, aged between 18 and 50, are wanted to create a lingerie video, to be shot in August by director and producer, Andrew Fenner of Fenben Productions.

Hair and make–up will be provided by Tony and Guy Ormskirk and the winners will each receive a goody bag worth up to £250.

The video will be promoted on You Tube, Facebook, Twitter and in–store, to launch the boutique's new autumn/winter collection.

Boutique partner, Katie Givens, a former model and fashion stylist herself, will be styling the shoot, to help guide the lucky winners.

She said: "This is a great opportunity for women who want to become a model or just simply have the confidence to be filmed in a fun way in their underwear!

"Please don't be put off if you think you're too old or not slim enough, because we want a good mix of women to represent the 'real' women who come into our shop.

"With ten years' experience as a model, I can really help guide women and make them feel fantastic. I'm so excited to see who comes forward.

"We are hoping that a mix of 'real' women turn up, all shapes, ages and sizes.

"Ideally, I would love to have someone from each of the ages, 20s, 30s and 40–50.

"It is important that they are confident in themselves for the shoot, which will be classy but also fun and playful.

"We are thinking of an elegant country–manor location, Tony and Guy will be doing stunning make–up and hair and the women will look beautiful in the underwear."

Casting will be held on Thursday, July 25, between 5.30 and 7.30pm at Pandora's Box in Ormskirk.

'Real' women wanted for promotional campaign

Katie Givens inside the boutique **Code NA**

Entrants will be required to go along with a bikini to wear and to be filmed answering questions. However, this film is for judging purposes only and will not be shown to the public.

Marina to stage special festival and open weekend

SCARISBRICK Marina's new management are celebrating their success with a special festival and open weekend.

The two–day event on Saturday and Sunday, July 6 and 7, will feature a host of activities including folk music, a bouncy castle, face–painting and miniature traditional rides for children.

Kath Webster will be demonstrating how to make traditional peg rugs, fender–making and jewellery.

And Lancashire Fire Brigade will give a special water rescue demonstration.

Musical entertainment will be provided on both days. Tarleton Brass Band will play on the Saturday and Marshside Brass Band on Sunday, both from 1.30pm.

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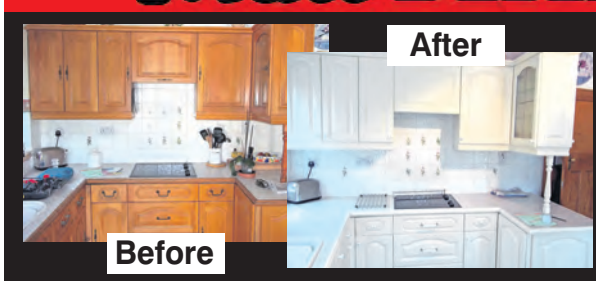

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Couple injured after car knocked them into hedge in hit and run near village pub

Report by **Ollie Cowan**

POLICE are appealing for information after a man and woman were left needing hospital treatment following a suspected hit–and–run incident.

The couple, both aged 44 from Skelmersdale, left The Beacon Inn pub on Beacon Lane in Dalton and began walking in the direction of Skelmersdale at around 11.45pm on Friday, June 7.

As they attempted to cross the road a vehicle, described as being a light–metallic colour, collided with both of them, knocking them into a hedge, before driving off.

They were both taken to hospital in Wigan where the man was treated for a fractured hand, as well as bruising and whiplash, and the woman was treated for possible broken ribs, as well as severe bruising, grazes and whiplash.

Sergeant Phil Elsden said: "I am appealing to anyone with any information about this incident to contact police. If you think you may know who the driver of this vehicle was, then please come forward."

Anybody with any information can contact police on 101 or Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 or at Crimestoppers–uk.org.

Heroic deeds of relative led to air cadet's flag honour at Menin Gate

Family member was awarded VC for capturing 100 German prisoners

Report by **Henry James**

FASCINATION with the heroic war deeds of a relative led to a young air cadet from Skelmersdale playing a major role in a ceremony at the famous Menin Gate in Belgium to honour thousands who lost their lives in the First World World War.

Alec Felton–Keeling, 13, paraded the Union Flag through the Menin Gate Memorial to the Missing in Ypres at a special annual ceremony.

The memorial is inscribed with the names of the 55,000 British and Commonwealth forces known to have perished in the First World War, but for whom no remains were found.

Alec's interest in the war started when he discovered that his great grandmother's uncle, Thomas 'Todger' Alfred Jones was awarded a Victoria Cross for a heroic deed at the Battle of Morval in northern France on September 25, 1916 while serving with 1st Battalion, The Cheshire Regiment.

He managed to cross no mans land, take out an enemy sniper, then proceeded into the enemy trenches where he captured 102 German soldiers single handed and marched them back across no man's land to the British trenches while under artillery bombardment. Lathom High School student Alec became fascinated by this story and while out with his grandad Harry, they got talking about VC winners with Bill Sergeant, a member of the British Legion.

Alec carries the Union flag at at the Menin Gate ceremony.

This led to an opportunity for Alec to travel to France with them on their yearly excursion to the memorial sites and Menin Gate.

Last year, as the youngest member of the group, Alec was asked to carry the flag though the gate, but this year was a particularly proud moment for Alec as he also represented the Air Training Corps and The Skelmersdale Squadron.

The huge Menin Gate memorial

Man jailed for twice breaking ASBI ban on entering town

Report by **Henry James**

A MAN has been given a 14 day jail sentence for breaching an Anti–Social Behaviour Injunction (ASBI) twice in less than two months.

Philip Hayes, 37, was issued with an ASBI in December, 2012 which prohibited him from entering large parts of Skelmersdale following legal action taken by West Lancashire Borough Council.

On May 8 Hayes, formerly of Uppingham, Skelmersdale, was arrested in a part of town from which he is excluded after police were alerted to Mr Hayes' return to the area by a member of the public.

Hayes was taken to Skelmersdale Police Station where he damaged a police cell, for which he was later convicted of criminal damage and given a 12–month conditional discharge, ordered to pay £57 compensation, £85 court costs and a victim surcharge of £15.

The following day he was given a suspended prison sentence of 14 days at Wigan County Court for breaching his ASBI. Council officers also successfully applied for an extension to the ASBI so it is now due to end on January 1, 2014.

On June 21 Mr Hayes was arrested again by police at the same location. Later that day Mr Hayes appeared before Wigan County Court over this further breach of his ASBI and was sentenced to 14 days imprisonment. Councillor David Sudworth, portfolio holder for community safety, said: "The council and the police work closely together to tackle anti–social behaviour and we understand how it causes disturbance and distress to neighbours.

Philip Hayes

"This case demonstrates how we take firm action to tackle anti–social behaviour and pursue perpetrators through the courts."

Councillor Val Hopley, portfolio holder for landlord services, said: "Mr Hayes is a former council tenant and the action taken by the council against him should be a warning to everyone that anti–social behaviour will not be tolerated."

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Truck rental firm move boost to West Lancs

A FAST–GROWING business has relocated its head office to Skelmersdale.

Riverside Truck Rental service a fleet of more than 1,200 vehicles operated from ten depots around the country and has moved to a new head office at Oasis Business Park on Pimbo Industrial Estate in Skelmersdale.

Riverside have been placed in the top 50 of the Deloitte and Touche Indy 100 and the Financial Times FT100 for the fastest 100 growing companies in the UK.

Councillor Adrian Owens, cabinet member for regeneration said: "I'm delighted Riverside moved to their new head office at Oasis Business Park on Pimbo Industrial Estate in Skelmersdale having outgrown the offices at their Widnes depot."

Cllr Owens added that six new tenants had recently taken up occupancy at the West Lancashire Investment Centre including a winner in last year's Apprenticeship Awards and that the council was dealing with enquiries from businesses every week.

He added: "Interest is picking up, and the relocation of a fast growing business is fantastic news and a symbol of that interest in our borough as a place to do business."

Players wanted for United youth team

THE new manager of Skelmersdale United under–17s youth team is on the lookout for new players to join the side for next season.

Dom Finnigan is seeking to recruit youngsters for the side which competes in the Warrington Junior League.

He said: "We have lost the majority of the side from last season. A few players moved up to the under–18s, while others have gone to different clubs. We're looking for players who are in Year 11 at school and are aged 15 or 16."

The side trains on Tuesdays at Lathom High School starting at 6.30pm and usually plays about 20 fixtures a season.

Dom added: "There is an opportunity for youth team players to force their way into the first team squad and for manager Tommy Lawson to have a look at them. Four lads from the under–18s played first team football last season so this a great opportunity for youngsters in the region."

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Having a ball

MEMBERS of the Aughton and Ormskirk U3A ballroom dancing group (right) pictured at their Midsummer Ball held at Ormskirk Civic Hall.

The group, which recently celebrated its 10th anniversary, is aimed at older people wishing to learn new hobbies and try new interests.

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£1.9m upgrade for electricity cable network

Report by
Danielle Thompson

WORK is underway on a £1.9 million project to upgrade the local electricity network.

Six kilometres of new, improved underground cable between Vicarage Lane in Ormskirk and Spa Lane in Skelmersdale is being installed by Electricity North West, the company that owns and operates the regional network.

The project, which is due to be completed in August, will successfully replace oil–filled cables which have been in place for around 50 years, with new environmentally–friendly and efficient cables.

According to the company more than 8,000 residents in the Ormskirk area will benefit from the overhaul.

Tim Groom, Electricity North West major projects manager, said: "This project is vital to ensure local residents and businesses in Ormskirk continue to benefit from a reliable and efficient supply of electricity now and in the future.

"The investment shows our commitment to upgrading the network across the region by replacing cables which have been in place since the 1960s with new improved electricity cables.

Worked

"We have worked closely with the local council to keep any disruption to a minimum throughout the project."

Ruff Lane, at the junction of Knowsley Road to the junction of Vicarage Lane will be closed until Friday, August 9.

Tomorrow (Thursday, July 4) Vicarage Lane in Ormskirk to School Lane in Westhead will re–open.

Further work will be carried out on Wigan Road in Westhead at weekends and during school holidays.

For any queries, contact Electricity North West on 0800 195 4141 or visit www.enwl.co.uk.

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Has Martin got the world's best job?

(He travels the world covering football for FIFA website)

Martin O'Boyle in the Maracana Stadium in Brazil where the Confederations Cup final was held on Sunday

Report by **David Raven**

WHILE the eyes of the football world were on Brazil last weekend for the Confederations Cup final, keeping millions of people up–to–date with every kick for the website of the sport's governing body FIFA was – a man from Parbold!

For Martin O'Boyle, the Brazil versus Spain showdown was just the latest assignment in a career that has seen him travel the world following the sport he loves as editor of the Fifa.com website.

The 32–year–old landed his dream job eight years ago, and his time in Brazil has been a real eye–opener for Martin.

He said: "Inside the stadiums, the atmosphere was absolutely fantastic, unlike anything I've ever heard, especially when the host country's national anthem is sung. The tournament has been played amid protests against the Brazilian government and I've received a few concerned calls and texts, asking if I was caught up in it.

"I wasn't and I didn't see any trouble. But I was in a restaurant last Friday which turned the TVs on when the president made her address to the nation in which she outlined her concessions. The whole place fell silent. Imagine that happening at the Little Pizza Kitchen!"

His first post, after studying history at Lancaster University, came nearer to home as a communications officer for Everton FC.

And he recalled how his first encounter with a football legend left him red–faced.

He said: "I walked into my matchday office at Goodison and there was a guy standing with his back to me watching the TV. I thought it was one of the groundstaff, so I breezed in and said: 'Morning!

"The figure turned round and it was Gazza who replied: 'Morning and who the hell are you?'

"I said: "I'm Martin and who the hell are you?'

"Fortunately for me, he laughed, introduced himself as Paul and asked me to get a cup of tea and watch Soccer AM with him!"

After three years with the Blues, Martin moved on to work for the official Fifa and Fifa World Cup website where he is now lead editor.

Martin added that the best parts of his job are the tournaments and having the chance to interview the likes of David Beckham and Sir Alex Ferguson.

"I love football and I've been fortunate to go to two World Cups, two Olympic games and visit Africa, Asia, North and South America and experience different cultures."

Now Martin is looking forward to returning to Brazil next year for the 2014 FIFA World Cup finals.

Woman, 37, robbed on town pathway

Report by **Ollie Cowan**

POLICE are appealing for information after a woman was robbed while walking along a pathway in Skelmersdale.

The 37–year–old was walking along a pathway on Eskbrook at the point where it joins the main road when she was grabbed from behind by a man, shortly after 9.45pm on Monday, June 3

He demanded money and the woman handed over some cash from her pocket before the man ran off into a nearby wooded area.

The man is described as being in his 30s and was wearing a dark hooded jacket and jeans.

He spoke with a local accent and was also described as being 'smelly'.

DC Chris Tobin said: "This was very frightening for the woman and she has been left shaken by what's happened.

"If you were in the area at the time of the robbery and saw a man acting suspiciously, or if you recognise the man's description, then please contact us."

Anybody with any information can contact police on 101 or Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111 or online at Crimestoppers–uk.org.

Age UK summer dance

AGE UK Lancashire are holding a summer dance as part of the Big Lottery Active Lives project. The event will include dancing, music and refreshments and is being held on Monday, July 8, from 1pm to 3pm, at the Ecumenical Centre on Northway in Maghull.

Tickets cost £3 and can be obtained by calling 01695 720406.

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Treble winners

AT the start of the season youngsters, parents and coaching staff at Skelmersdale's Newton Athletic Under 11s all worked together to raise funds for registration fees and kits – and it certainly paid off as they ended the season as treble winners.

They won two cup competitions in the Sunday League and finished runners up in the St Helens League and cup.

A spokesman for the parents said: "Amazing very well done to all the players. Thank you also to all the coaching staff, Neil, Lee and Steve."

Newton Athletic are now looking to attract sponsorship and also need players who are "dedicated, committed, honest, skilful who would join the side on a Saturday and Sunday."

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Students given wrong exam results after email blunder

HUNDREDS of students at the University of Liverpool were sent the wrong exam results after an email blunder this week.

On Monday morning many students awoke to receive results with different names and subjects to the ones they were studying.

Shortly afterwards the university admitted that 'a technical problem' had resulted in 'incorrect information' being sent.

A Liverpool University spokesperson said: "We experienced a technical problem when sending students their exam results this morning which resulted in students receiving the wrong email. As soon as we identified the problem, the process of issuing emails with exam results was stopped and so the majority of students have not yet received any email.

"The university sincerely regrets this error and is doing all it can to ensure that students receive the correct results as quickly as possible. In the meantime, all erroneous messages have been deleted from students' email accounts."

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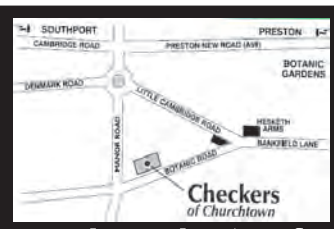

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Cut to the bone

Police chief slams plans to slice another £11m from force's budget

LANCASHIRE'S Police and Crime Commissioner has accused the government of cutting policing resources in the county to the bone after it was announced in the Chancellor's spending review that the constabulary's budget could be reduced by a further £11m.

That would mean that the force will have potentially lost a staggering £74m from its overall budget between the May 2010 elections and 2016.

And Clive Grunshaw said residents in Lancashire were not prepared to tolerate any more cuts. He said: "It's time to say, enough is enough.

"This latest round of cuts puts policing in the county under threat and undermines the work the constabulary does to protect its residents. The call to save what could potentially be another £11m comes at a time when, here in Lancashire, we have already been cut to the bone.

"It means we have now reached a point where consideration will have to be given to whether police functions previously seen as vital – such as the mounted branch or the dog unit – have to be cut.

Clive Grunshaw Code NA

"We have already closed front counters, sold off rural police stations, re–shaped our teams and changed how we respond to incidents, as well as streamlining and redefining functions, in order to save the millions already asked of us.

"Despite all these cuts, the hard work of officers and staff in Lancashire means crime has still continued to fall – but, if another £11m comes out of the budget, it will be an almost impossible task for that high level of performance to continue.

The government has said police budgets will be cut by "less than 6 per cent."

The exact details of the cuts facing the county's police and crime budget will be revealed later in the year.

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Vending machine firm fined £10,000 after worker fell through roof light

Report by **Henry James**

A WORKER at a vending machine supplier in Skelmersdale was lucky to escape with minor injuries after he fell six metres through a fragile roof, a court has heard.

The 40–year–old from Runcorn, who has asked not to be named, had been clearing out the gutters at Paragon International Ltd, on Paddock Road, on September 4 last year when he fell through a roof light.

The company, which trades as Eurocup and supplies snacks and drinks for vending machines across the UK, was this week prosecuted by the Health and Safety Executive (HSE) after an investigation found it had failed to ensure he could work safely on the roof.

Ormskirk Magistrates' Court heard the employee had been sent onto the roof to clean the guttering between two connected buildings.

He was told he should try to stay away from the roof lights, but no practical steps were taken by the company to avoid this.

The employee and another worker had to carry bags of debris to the top of the roof, walking on the metal sheets between the roof lights, so that it could be collected by a forklift truck.

One of the men accidentally stepped onto a roof light and fell into the accounts office below. He suffered bruising to his right side and leg, and injuries to his right hand and back.

Court told he could have been killed

The court was told the company should have found alternative ways of doing the work safely, such as hiring a cherry–picker or providing edging around the roof lights.

Paragon International Ltd, of Paddock Road in West Pimbo, pleaded guilty to single breaches of the Work at Height Regulations 2005 and the Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1999.

The company was fined a total of £10,500 and ordered to pay £3,067 in prosecution costs.

Speaking after the hearing, HSE Inspector Bradley Wigglesworth said: "The worker was extremely lucky not to have been seriously injured or even killed when he fell through the roof light.

"If he had fallen further along the roof then he would have landed on the concrete warehouse floor.

"Paragon International knew the roof lights were fragile but he was simply told to try to avoid them, rather than any action being taken to keep him safe.

"The company should have carried out a proper assessment of the risks and could have used a cherry–picker, harnesses or safety netting, but none of these were chosen.

"An employee's life was put at risk as a result."

Lydia's charity swim in memory of mum

THE daughter of a woman who died from breast cancer aged just 53 has taken part in the Great North Swim in her memory.

Lydia Hale, from Parbold, completed the one–mile course in Lake Windermere as a tribute to her mother Jennifer, who passed away in October, 2011.

Although weather conditions were difficult, Lynda managed to complete the course in just 56 minutes.

The 29–year–old, who is the practice a manager of a GP surgery, raised more than £200 for The Jennifer Hale Fund.

Lydia and her family have raised more than £12,000 overall for cancer charities.

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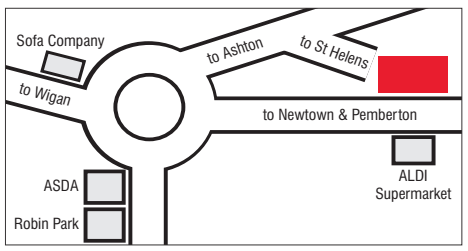

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School celebrates 'Heart Safe' status

Teachers and students from AughtonTown Green Primary with the new defibrillator Code NA

STAFF and pupils at a local primary are celebrating after becoming a 'Heart Safe' school.

Thanks to funding by the parent teacher association, Aughton Town Green Primary School now have on site their very own Automated External Defibrillator (AED) located in the school hall.

The machine comes with pediatric and adult pads, a carry case and a ready–to–use first aid kit.

Bianca Daly from Physio Control went along to the school to train staff members to use the new equipment which will diagnose and treat potentially life–threatening cardiac arrrhythmias by re–starting the heart.

The Automated External Defibrillator is simple to use. It gives voice prompts to advise the user what action to take and tells them how to resuscitate a person who has suffered a cardiac arrest.

It will tell the user to adhere two sticky pads to the patient's chest and gives instructions where these should be placed. The defibrillator automatically assesses whether to treat the patient with therapeutic shock.

The equipment needs little training, making it possible for anyone to be able to save a life in an emergency, whether or not they are fully trained.

Deputy headteacher, Mrs Forshaw, said: "It is so reassuring to know that this piece of equipment could save someone's life and can be used with little training.

"Through special assemblies and other workshops the children have been learning all about the new equipment, with Year Five recently taking part in a first aid workshop on resuscitation."

New charity shop opened

A NEW charity shop has opened up in Burscough.

Villages in Partnership (VIP) is one of The Rural Community Partnership Trust's charity shops.

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£49m buy out of Skelmersdale–based Fredericks Dairies gets the go–ahead

by **Henry James**

THE Office of Fair Trading has cleared the £49million buy out of Skelmersdale–based Fredericks Dairies by R&R Ice Cream.

The regulator had been concerned that the deal would cause a substantial lessening of competition, but their website said the deal had been cleared this week.

Since the deal in April, R&R Ice Cream has also been bought out by the French private equity firm PAI Partners in a £716m deal.

Bosses at R&R Ice Cream has given assurances that they want to, "continue to manufacture at the East Pimbo site" in Skelmersdale.

While James Lambert, chief executive and executive chairman of R&R Ice Cream, has added: "I am very excited about acquiring this successful business whose popular licensed products will prove valuable additions to our branded portfolio."

A spokesman for R&R told the Champion earlier this year: "It is R&R's intention to take on the workforce and continue to manufacture at the site."

James Lambert **Code NA**

Fredericks Dairies was the sole suppliers of ice cream to the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games. The company has the licence to manufacture ice cream and iced refreshment brands such as Cadbury, Del Monte, Vimto, Britvic and Barrat's. The vendors – Frank and Philip Frederick – are keeping their Freezeserve cold storage and distribution business at Simonswood.

There are 195 employees at Skelmersdale and the business achieved sales of £45m in the year to August 31, 2012.

Stuart Moss and Neil Mitchell of corporate finance company Rickitt Mitchell in Manchester and Danny Hall and Alistair Cree of law firm Eversheds advised Fredericks in the buy out.

One–stop shop to open for women offenders

SERVICES for vulnerable women to help stop them re–offending will be provided in Skelmersdale for the first time from September.

East Lancashire Women's Centres (ELWC) has won a contract to work with Lancashire Probation Trust to develop and maintain community services for women, with the aim of addressing the issues which might lead to offending.

The organisation will deliver services from The Engine Room on Westgate from September 1, providing a female–only environment and access to specialist services in the town for the first time.

The centre will also provide a 'one–stop shop' service for women offenders.

Women can see their probation officer in a women–only environment, deal with any health issues, learn about finance, benefits and debt, address substance misuse, have access to mental health services, receive help with employment and training and receive mentoring from qualified professionals.

Sarah Swindley

The services are open to all women, not just those who have been sentenced for an offence.

Sarah Swindley, chief executive at ELWC added: "We are delighted to be able to provide our services to women across the whole of Lancashire and will be working in partnership with a number of existing women's centres to increase the number and types of services available.

"This is a fantastic opportunity to make a real difference to women's lives and that of their families and the whole community and we're looking forward to the challenges and opportunities that lie ahead."

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Council defends record on sport following MP's Commons claim

By Henry James

WEST Lancashire Council has defended its policy towards sport after being criticised in parliament.

Rosie Cooper has questioned in the House of Commons if the borough council was doing enough to encourage people to play sport, highlighting that they had closed Skelmersdale Sports Centre and were providing 'unplayable' football pitches in Abbey Lane, Burscough.

The Labour MP for West Lancs said she put her questions to culture, media and sports ministers in the Commons after a study showed a decline in participation rates for sport across the North West.

However, the borough council responded by claiming that more people had used their sports facilities in the last 10 years.

Ms Cooper accused the council of "making deep and swingeing cuts" to leisure budgets, which she said has had a "serious impact" on sports provision.

The MP told the Champion: "A year since the London 2012 Olympics and West Lancashire's sporting outlook couldn't be bleaker. Only a month after the Olympics had finished West Lancashire Borough Council announced their Olympic legacy for the region – to close and knock down Skelmersdale Sports Centre.

"It is a disgrace that Conservative–run West Lancashire Borough Council has taken away residents' access to sport whilst their reserves continue to push into the tens of millions.

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"How can Skelmersdale, the largest town in the area with a population of 40,000 people, be left with no sports centre?"

But a spokesman for the borough council commented: "The participation rates in West Lancashire Community sports and leisure facilities have increased over the last eight years. There were about 1.3 million visits to West Lancashire sports facilities in 2012/13 compared to 970,000 in 2004/05.

"Many of the sports clubs and activity sessions from Skelmersdale Sports Centre have moved to other existing providers through schools/college sites and private providers, including new facilities in Skelmersdale.

"The partnership arrangement between the borough council and JMO Ltd. has seen a £2m investment at Blaguegate playing fields in Skelmersdale to provide high–quality outdoor playing surface facilities for football.

"The borough council has provided a commitment towards improving drainage of football pitches and approved £100,000 for this financial year towards such a scheme at Abbey Lane playing fields.

"Skelmersdale Sports Centre was an old building with significant long–term structural problems with its roof. The building was a converted factory unit and was operating beyond the lifespan envisaged by the council. Replacing the roof would have cost an estimated £235,000, and this would not have improved the facilities."

And Councillor David Sudworth, West Lancs Conservative group leisure spokesman, added: "It is a shame that once again Labour is using a national platform to talk down West Lancashire.

"Only last week, the Conservative borough council cabinet approved more than £50,000 of improvements to local leisure facilities and pressed forward with plans for others.

"This Conservative council has also helped deliver a fabulous £2m sports park in Skelmersdale, as well as improvements at Nye Bevan pool and Park Pool. That's why usage of our leisure centres has risen in the last five years."

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'Don't ignore your own health' plea to carers

WEST Lancashire Carers Centre in Skelmersdale is urging carers to think about themselves as well as others.

Lisa Kirby, carers' development worker, said: "If you are caring for someone please don't ignore your own health, let us help you make positive changes to your lifestyle and bigger strides towards better health.

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Bus driver cast a cloud over a sunny day

One Monday morning at about 10.30 I was the last vehicle in a long line trudging up the hill from the Winifred Lane roundabout in Aughton.

Our slow progress was the result of three very large and heavily–laden trucks leading the procession.

As we approached the Royal Oak pub I noticed an Arriva bus had become the last vehicle behind me.

At the same time I saw an elderly lady with a shopping trolley standing in the middle of the roadway, opposite the bus stop outside the Royal Oak

She had crossed part of the carriageway but couldn't reach the bus stop because of the line of vehicles, so she waved her arm to attract the bus driver's attention, clearly showing she wanted to catch that bus.

As a professional bus driver he must surely have seen her but, with nobody standing at the stop, he continued on, to the obvious distress of the lady.

Our line of vehicles continued its slow progress until the bus stopped when two people at the Christ Church stop flagged him down.

At the next stop, halfway down the hill towards the fire station, I stopped my car and stood by the bus stop.

I got on the bus and asked the driver if he felt proud of himself for ignoring the plight of the lady at the Royal Oak.

His response was: 'Was she at the stop?'

I told him he knew she wasn't but had clearly been intending to catch his bus and would now have to wait another hour for the next one.

His only further comment was, again, 'was she at the stop?'

As a former PSV driver, I find it hard to understand attitudes like this and a beautiful sunny morning suddenly became somehow less 'sunny' following this sad episode.

Dismayed, details suplied

Only real jobs will get people back in work

The Coalition Government tells us, unemployment is coming down.. is it?

It's only coming down because the Government are taking unemployed people off Jobseekers Allowance and putting them with work place agencies (A4E and the like) who's figures are not counted when calculating the numbers for employed and unemployed. Unemployment is coming down but not, NOT through people getting work. I'm sick to the back teeth of government after government constantly coming out with initiatives for this and initiatives for that.

Initiatives don't get people in to work, real jobs get people back in to work.

It's about time our elected MPs from all the political parties who live in their ivory towers and earning massive wages and expenses, did something about it.

Jack Colbert, Seaforth

PICTURE of the week

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Race to success

Winners aim for the finish line in last week's Foundation Sports Day at Thomas Gray Primary School in Bootle.

Picture by Martyn Snape.

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Thanks for the splash of colour

May I, through your letters page, thank the person who brightened my journey to work?

Coming down Church Road to Bickerstaffe it was wonderful to see tulips around the seat at the bottom of Heyes Croft.

A smashing splash of colour and they lasted quite a few weeks.

Dorothy Sephton, Bickerstaffe

It's not just a case of grumbling, it's about quality of life

Re: The suggestilon by BN (Letters, June 26) that I should aim my grumbles regarding parking at Ormskirk Hospital at the hospital management regarding parking at Ormskirk Hospital.

I can assure BN that myself and the majority of residents have been doing this since 2007 when car parking charges were introduced because we never had these problems before.

Jonathan Parry, chief executive of Ormskirk and Southport Hospital Trust said at the time that one of the reasons he was introducing them was 'to encourage people to use public transport.'

(Incidentally, I use public transport, with my bus pass, if I have to travel from Ormskirk to Southport Hospital to attend an appointment and therefore am not able 'to just cross the road' as BN suggests.)

Then, in 2009 as the problems worsened regarding the flow of traffic and pedestrian access on the estate, a petition was submitted to Lancashire County Council, signed by 98% of residents, asking for some kind of restrictions to be put in place on the estate.

So I can assure BN that it is not just case of 'grumbling and letting of steam.'

It is simply a case of trying to get back the quality of life we all had on this once–pleasant residential estate before it became an extension of the hospital car park.

BN probably also thinks that parking on the estate for, say, a 20–minute appointment, was not causing a nuisance and if it was one car I agree, probably not.

But, be assured when you get a continuous flow of cars from 8.30am to 5pm all day, every day, five days a week for the last six years slamming their doors and now taking up what space is left for residents, as explained in Danielle Thompson's article, (Champion, May 29) it is a nuisance, to put it politely.

Oh, and did BN get in touch with Jonathan Parry regarding the lack of parking space as I advised people to do in a previous correspondence?

But, then again, some people think they are entitled to free parking at the hospital because they have paid National Insurance contributions.

What sort of reasoning is that?

H. Pennington, Ormskirk

Tell us what you think!
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University should make it clear if community is welcome or not at seminars

I note with some interest your article on an Edge Hill University event in this week's Champion.

It might be worth pointing out for the benefit of your readers that not all Edge Hill events welcome informal community guests.

For the university's Confucius Institute Launch on Wednesday, June 26 I had made an e–mail application as inferred from the university's web portal – nothing. A visit to the FOE reception desk led to a runaround then a 'long wait' – again, nothing.

Not a problem for me. I can continue my Tai chi studies elsewhere but an interested youngster on encountering similar insouciance may go elsewhere or give up.

The Edge Hill public relations department might usefully point out whether interested parties in the community are welcome or not to their seminars, some of which appear to be of tremendous general interest.

Otherwise, community members might conclude that the only benefit is the collection, by Ruff Lane residents, of the numerous drinking glasses found in their front gardens on weekend mornings.

Thomas Shannon, Burscough

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Warning about shed contents after blaze explosion threat

Report by **Louisa Austin**

FIREFIGHTERS are warning residents of the dangers of storing combustible materials in sheds, garages and outbuildings following a fire that led to local homes being evacuated.

The fire, which started in the early hours of Monday, June 24 in the garden shed of a home in Sephton Drive, Ormskirk, is believed to have been caused by a short–circuited car battery.

It then developed rapidly due to the flammable nature of the shed contents, including rags, oils, paint, thinners and gas cylinders.

An acetylene cylinder, part of an oxy–acetylene welding/cutting set, created a particular hazard since the gas inside can become unstable when heated potentially resulting an explosion.

Long after the fire had been extinguished firefighters had to apply water to the acetylene cylinder to cool it down and it was not until nearly 10 hours of cooling that the cylinder was considered safe to move.

Lancashire Fire and Rescue Service crew manager, Duncan Raidy, based at Ormskirk Fire Station, said: "Clutter in garden sheds and garages can present a real risk of accidental fires occuring. Oil–soaked cleaning rags have been known to start fires by igniting in a hot shed at the height of summer. A combination of dry timber walls and floors, made more combustible when oil, thinners or fuel for garden machinery is spilt on them, creates a real hazard.

"We're asking the public to check the contents of their sheds and garages to consider the potential fire risk they may have created by unsuitable and unsafe storage of combustible materials, particularly the threat posed by gas cylinders.

"Although on this occasion the cause of the fire is thought to have been accidental, sheds, garages and outbuildings are also often a target for arsonists, so there is even more reason for householders to ensure that any resulting fire is not made more severe, perhaps with a risk of gas cylinders exploding, because of what's stored in there.

"We're always ready to offer advice and on a free Home Fire Safety Check Visit we'd be happy to advise on whether the contents of sheds and garages pose a particular risk."

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Cricket girls pip local rivals in a thriller to win county spot

YOUNG girl cricketers from St James' Catholic Primary School, Ashurst are set to represent the borough in the county finals after pipping St Anne's Catholic Primary, Ormskirk in a closely–contested West Lancs final at Skelmersdale Cricket Club.

By the time the final ball was bowled the scores were level and both teams had lost just one wicket.

Mark Forster from West Lancs Schools Partnership declared the match a tie, meaning it had to go to a nail–biting 'super over' in which each team had to nominate one player to bowl a single over of six balls to a pair of batters.

At the end of the 'super over' St James' emerged triumphant with eight runs to their rivals' three.

St James' headteacher, Dave Iliff said: "Both teams were so well matched, from the first ball until the last it was very close. The standard of fielding and bowling was exceptional."

• RIGHT: The St Anne's and St James' teams (in red)

Seeking hard of hearing 'heroes'

Report by **Henry James**

A UK–wide campaign to find hard of hearing people who have triumphed over adversity is coming to town.

Singer and actress Maureen Nolan is spearheading the campaign and has teamed up with Specsavers hearing centre in Skelmersdale to urge residents with hearing loss to enter the annual Sound Barrier Star Awards.

Specsavers' Sound Barrier Star Awards is an initiative aimed at celebrating achievement in people who are deaf or hard of hearing, and seeks to reward individuals for their courage and accomplishments.

Currently on tour with the hit musical, Blood Brothers, Maureen suffers from high frequency hearing loss and has recently been fitted with hearing aids in both her ears.

The 58–year–old says: "I first noticed my hearing loss about two years ago while lying in bed on my side and not being able to hear my husband. I had to lift my head off the pillow to hear what he was saying, and it dawned on me that I may have hearing loss.

"Hearing loss is something that runs through my family and is a subject close to my heart. With the launch of the Sound Barrier Star Awards I want people in Skelmersdale to understand the importance of looking after their hearing like they would any other part of their healthcare routine."

DONATION

Richard Smith, hearing director from Specsavers hearing centre in Skelmersdale, adds: "We want to encourage people to come down to the store and enter themselves or someone they know into the awards."

For every entry Specsavers will donate £5 to the charity Hearing Dogs for Deaf People. Hearing dogs help transform the lives of deaf people by alerting them to sounds and allowing them greater independence.

The awards will recognise 10 regional finalists across the UK and five will be selected to attend the grand final at The Savile Club, London on October 16.

The Sound Barrier Star of 2013 will win a week–long villa holiday for two people in the Mediterranean, including flights, courtesy of VillaParade. In addition, they will also receive a £1,500 hearcare or £500 optic voucher from Specsavers.

Anyone can nominate themselves, a friend or family member to enter the Sound Barrier Star Awards by visiting Specsavers Skelmersdale and picking up a nomination form, or downloading a form online at www.specsavers.co.uk/hearing. Closing date for entries is August 12.

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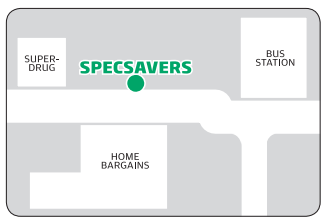

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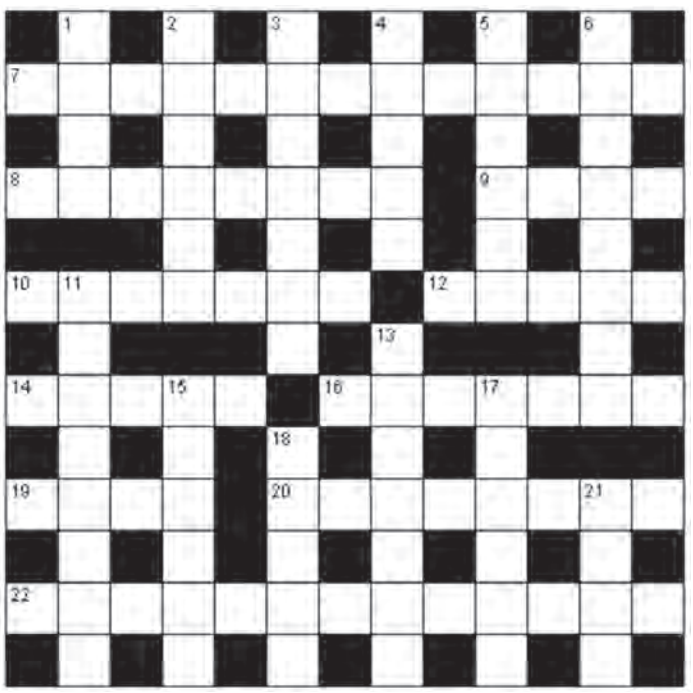

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS:

Across: 7) Troupe, 8) Evelyn, 9) Wish, 10) World War, 11) Sandals, 13) Tatty, 15) Sci-fi, 17) Mayfair, 20) Innocent, 21) Lava, 22) Umpire, 23) Lining

Down: 1) Arriva, 2) Pugh, 3) Seawall, 4) Zebra, 5) Red Dwarf, 6) Tyrant, 12) Daffodil, 14) Tactile, 16) Cinema, 18) Invent, 19) Yemen, 21) Lynx

ACROSS

7) Stage name for Norma Jeane Mortenson (7,6)
8) Sticky substance (8)
9) Sixties subculture group, includes Bradley Wiggins (4)
10) Surname of an Aintree-born Labour politician (7)
12) Seaweed is a form of (5)
14) Substance formed from the skeletal remains of sea creatures (5)
16) Small decorative foods (7)
19) Simpson's character with middle name Jojo (4)
20) Something not fit for human consumption (8)
22) Steptoe's profession (3,3,4,3)

DOWN

1) Sediment on Southport beach (4)
2) Species of bird thrives in public areas (6)
3) Scornful negative attitude towards society harboured by many a journalist (7)
4) Soft sticky tree resin hardens and then becomes jewellery (5)
5) Semi-transparent substance used as a protective coating - protects teeth (6)
6) Station for RAF near to Southport (8)
11) Sudden disruption or upset (8)
13) Story Group-owned theme park shut in 2012 (7)
15) Sufficient to cause death (6)
17) Something that has come into being or emerged (6)
18) Surname of Irish playwright and poet who died in 1900 (5)
21) Substantial measurement of bread (4)

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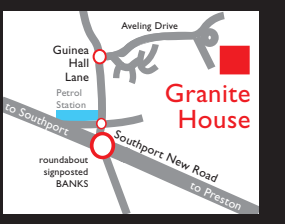

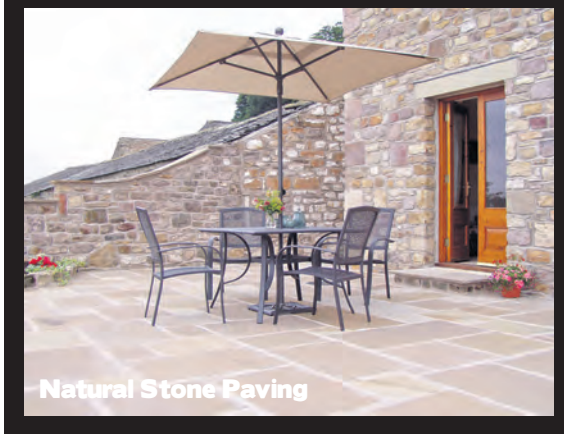

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New home for Terrence the terrapin

AN abandoned terrapin found in a lake in Burscough has found a new home.

Terrence, a yellow–bellied slider terrapin, native to North America, was found in Platts Lane Lake in May and named by West Lancashire Borough Council rangers.

The rangers appealed for an animal–lover to give him a new home.

Kind–hearted staff at Warbreck Garden Centre have now taken in Terrence, who has settled down really well at his new home with Tilly, a terrapin already resident at the garden centre.

Colin Gauntlet from the garden centre, said: "Terrence is becoming a real character and children who visit us love him.

"He is getting on really well with Tilly and although she is a lot older than Terrence he can really hold how own with her if they have a scrap over food.

"We decided to give him a home because we believe every animal deserves a chance. We have helped re–home a number of animals so if people can no longer cope with their pets, call us and we'll try to help."

Councillor David Sudworth urged the public to research pets' needs properly before they get them: "I am really pleased Terrence is settling into his new home.

"What happened to Terrence shows the importance of doing thorough research before buying any animal so people can make sure they can look after any prospective pet."

• RIGHT: West Lancs Council ranger Jess Britch with Terrence the terrapin and Warbreck Garden Centre's Colin Gauntlet holding Tilly.

Villagers urged to attend meeting

MEMBERS of a campaigning group are urging fellow residents to attend a parish council meeting on Monday, July 8 in what they claim is 'the last chance to stop their village becoming a town'!

The Aughton Residents' Group (ARG) want neighbours to make their views known at the meeting of Aughton Parish Council to be held in the village hall, Winifred Lane, starting at 7.30pm.

The ARG have campaigned against plans to turn former green belt land at Parrs Lane, bordered by Long Lane and Prescot Road, into development land for housing.

The draft of the West Lancashire Local Plan, which is nearing the final stage of public consultation, proposes the development of up to 500 houses on Parrs Lane.

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Rare 'visitor' wings in to Martin Mere

A WHITE–spotted bluethroat has been seen at WWT Martin Mere Wetland Centre.

This is only the 13th time this has been recorded, classifying the bird as rare for Lancashire and Merseyside.

The 650 acres of reserve at the Burscough centre provide the perfect habitat for a variety of wild birds (up to 200 species) which pass through the centre every year. This is the first time this bird has ever been recorded at the centre.

The reserve and wildlife can be viewed from the comfort of 10 birdwatcing hides, however, with such a unique bird to view, the centre has established a trail on to the reserve to get better opportunities to spot the bluethroat.

The distinctive birds, with a clear white spot on a striking blue throat, are more commonly seen during the autumn migration on the east coast. To see one on the west coast in spring is very unusual and attracted the attention of a lot of people who visited the mere to get a glimpse.

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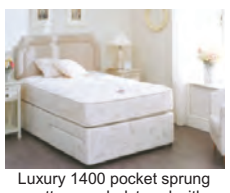

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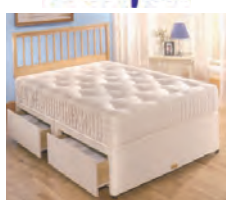

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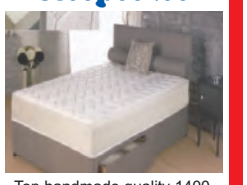

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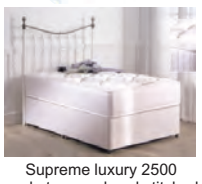

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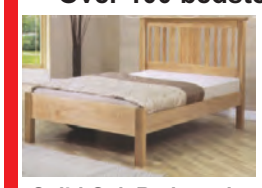

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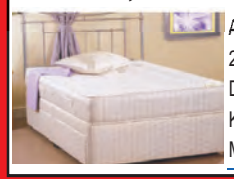

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MP says beware of phone scammers

Report by **Louisa Austin**

WEST Lancs MP, Rosie Cooper is urging residents to beware after receiving information from Ofcom about the latest phone scam where fraudsters use courier firms to help defraud vulnerable victims.

The fraudster telephones claiming to be from an official body, usually the police, bank or Serious Fraud Office, saying that your bank account has been compromised and they need to collect your card.

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The fraudster then asks you to read out your pin number or type it on your phone keypad. They can tell which keys have been pressed. Then they send a taxi/courier to collect your bank card which they can use to access your bank account.

Rosie Cooper said: "The scammers are targeting those who are in financial difficulty, but regardless of your situation you should never give out your contact or financial details.

"Residents need to be aware that scams are not just some kind of minor irritant; they are criminal offences that harm millions of people. If you think you or a family member or friend have been the victim of a scam report it immediately to the police or Action Fraud on 0300 123 2040. These scams are a threat to your pockets and wellbeing. Stay aware and up your guard."

Chance for wannabe rally drivers to put skills to the test

Report by **Danielle Thompson**

WANNABE rally drivers can test out their skills at the Ormskirk MotorFest Autosolo Car Challenge on Sunday, July 7.

Autosolo, which challenges test driver reflexes on specially–designed courses used by budding rally drivers, has been designed for drivers who have never experienced one before.

Aintree Circuit Club is organising the event, with the support of West Lancashire Borough Council, to highlight National Motorsport Week and rev up preparations for the Ormskirk MotorFest on Sunday, August 25.

Anyone can take part in the event, to be held at Park Pool car park from 11am until 4pm, as long as their car is legal to be driven on the road and can be driven to the event.

Non–members can fill out a one–day membership of Aintree Circuit Club so that they are insured for the test.

Councillor Martin Forshaw said: "We are all really looking forward to the MotorFest, and this Autosolo Challenge is a great way to whet people's appetites for that event."

For more details on the Autosolo challenge visit www.aintree.org.uk

University to sponsor major business event

Senior officials of Edge Hill University and Wigan Council.

EDGE Hill University is teaming up with a local council in what is hoped will be the start of a unique new partnership.

The university has signed a deal to sponsor this year's Wigan Business Expo, the biggest business–to–business event of its kind in the region.

The event has been organised by Wigan Council for the last four years and the university and the local authority hope the sponsorship deal will mark the start of a new collaborative relationship between the two organisations.

Edge Hill, which has nearly 900 students from Wigan borough on their books, is the closest university to Wigan.

The university wants to forge better relationships with Wigan–based businesses and share some of its expertise with companies in the area; while the council hopes the university can help it achieve its economic ambitions and provide more opportunities for young people in Wigan borough.

Senior councillors and the university's senior staff have held a series of meetings about how the two organisations can help each other in the future. Although no formal agreement has been signed, it's hoped the Expo deal will be the start of a productive and positive partnership.

The Expo has grown to become one of the biggest business events in the North West. More than 140 companies will exhibit at the event with a thousand delegates expected through the doors.

Lord Peter Smith, leader of Wigan Council, said: "The council is rightly proud of Wigan Business Expo. It's an excellent initiative that supports economic growth in the borough. I'm delighted Edge Hill have come on board and agreed to be the main sponsor of our fourth Expo this year. They will bring a new dimension to the event and I'm sure many Wigan–based companies will be keen to talk to them about how the university can support their businesses to grow and develop."

Bill Bruce, deputy vice–chancellor of Edge Hill University, said: "We are really happy to support what is becoming the biggest business–to–business event in the North West. We look forward to working with Wigan Council to make it a great success."

The Wigan Expo 2013 will be held at the DW Stadium on Friday 11th October from 8am to 3pm.

Canal journey back to a bygone age

MORE than 350 local primary school children visited Burscough Wharf during Canal Heritage Week.

Dressed as Victorians, they were treated to a taste of life on a canal boat, learnt how to make rag rugs and rope fenders for boats, how to paint in the canal art style and made peg dolls. The week also featured craft stalls, historical displays and guided walks on the history of the village and canal, which was lined throughout the week by old and modern boats.

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Toddlers step out for charity

TODDLERS at Little Learners Nursery at West Lancashire College put their best foot forward for charity when they took part in The Big Toddle, a short sponsored walk to raise money for Barnardo's.

The theme of the walk was fairytales and nursery rhymes and the children had a lot of fun dressing up as favourite characters, including Red Riding Hood, Cinderella and Captain Hook.

Sue Lewin, manager of the nursery, said: "The Big Toddle is a great event for the children and it's for a great cause too. It assists in their development and helps to develop communication skills and outdoor activities."

Little Learners nursery children on the Big Toddle **Code NA**

Spooky summer reading dare

CHILDREN aged four to eleven from across Lancashire are being dared to take part in a spooky Summer Reading Challenge, starting on Saturday, July 13.

The annual Summer Reading Challenge is run by the Reading Agency nationwide and organised locally by Lancashire County Council's library service. The scheme aims to keep children reading throughout the summer holidays and youngsters can simply register at their local library.

This year's theme is the 'Creepy House.' On entering the challenge children will embark upon an exciting adventure with friendly characters Tilda, Saeed, Ollie, Rhys, Zoe and Liv – not forgetting Baskerville the dog.

Together, they will explore the three creaking floors of the Creepy House.

The idea is for children to read six books of their choice over the summer. After every two books, another part of the Creepy House adventure will be unlocked and a hair–raising character revealed.

Children can read any books they like, including fact, fiction, poetry, joke books or picture books. Stories on CD also count, as do e–books and audiobook downloads.

There will be prizes as they complete the steps along the way, together with a competition to finish a story started by a famous writer.

County Councillor Marcus Johnstone said: "The Summer Reading Challenge is a fantastic way to keep children reading throughout the summer holidays, and it's great fun too.

Last year, nearly 15,000 children took part in the challenge and over half of them read all six books. I hope to see even more children joining in this year."

Alongside the reading activities, libraries across the county will also be holding events such as fancy dress, themed storytellers and digital creepy workshops.

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Catherine Shawarby recieves her award

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Award-winning

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Last year, Birch Green's general manager Catherine Shawarby walked away with the Care Manager award at the annual National Care Awards, beating top care organisations and businesses in the country.

Birch Green has been named a 'solid gold' home by The Gold Standards Framework (GSF), one of the UK's leading care quality organisations setting out best practice for caring for people approaching the end of their lives – a 'gold standard of care.'

Healthy eating and lifestyle choice

Meanwhile, the inspiring, engaging activities at Birch Green provides a full calendar for its residents.

The activities complement the expert development of care focused around people's lifestyle choices and identified needs. The innovative Lifestyle Support Team work with residents and their families to empower them to make choices and participate in reviewing what's working and planning to develop new initiatives.

To this end, Birch Green has appointed a dementia champion to lead therapies which focus on reducing medication, with staff member Liz Johnson leading the nine month FITS (Focused Intervention Training and Support) project run in conjunction with the University of Worcester and the Alzheimer's Society.

Meanwhile, experienced carer Janette Holt is taking healthy eating to new levels, becoming Birch Green's own nutrition advocate, as a dedicated service for people with dementia.

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Edge Hill salutes children's author

Creator of London 2012 opening ceremony to receive honorary degree

Report by **Henry James**

CHILDREN'S author and creator of the Olympic opening ceremony Frank Cottrell Boyce is one of a number of public figures set to receive honorary degrees from Edge Hill University.

The recipients range from film industry insiders to leading people in both the church and nursing, as Edge Hill recognises the contribution they have made to society, which resonates with the university.

Vice–chancellor, Dr John Cater said: "Honorary awards are given in recognition of outstanding achievements by an individual in their profession and to those who exemplify the university's ambitions.

"This year's recipients are passionate about their work and support the activities carried out by Edge Hill University around teaching, learning and research. They are fantastic role models for our students and staff and I'm looking forward to welcoming them to campus in July to acknowledge their inspirational careers."

The following honoraries will be conferred during graduation ceremonies at the Ormskirk campus between

Frank Cottrell Boyce

July 15 and 19:

• Frank Cottrell Boyce a British screenwriter, novelist and occasional actor, known for his children's fiction and for his collaborations with film director, Michael Winterbottom. He has recently achieved fame as the writer for the 2012 London Olympics opening ceremony.

• Dr Giles Fraser, parish priest at St Mary's Newington in London and a columnist for The Guardian. Giles has been involved in social and political advocacy and has lectured on moral leadership for the British Army. He delivered the annual Chancellor's Lecture at the university last year. He receives his honorary award for his work enhancing moral leadership and campaigning for social inclusion, which resonates closely with the ethos of the university.

• Colin McKeown, director of LA Productions, a Liverpool–based film and television production company established by Colin in 2000. Prior to this, he helped to set up Mersey Television with Phil Redmond. With a string of successful television series under his belt, his latest series of dramas for the BBC, including Stepping Up, have cemented Colin's place at the forefront of his field. His honorary doctorate is in recognition of his professional career, contribution to the education and training of young people and his long–standing support for Edge Hill University.

• Dr Peter Carter OBE, chief executive and general secretary of the Royal College of Nursing, the world's largest professional union of nurses. Before assuming the post in 2007, Dr Carter spent almost 12 years as the chief executive of the Central and North West London Mental Health NHS Trust. A regular visitor to the university, his honorary award is for his extensive knowledge and experience of the nursing profession and his close links with the university.

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Cyclists arriving at the Wharf from Southport Code NA

Pier to Pier cycle route launched

Report by **Henry James**

BURSCOUGH Wharf hosted a special celebration event to mark the launch of a new cycling route.

Organised by Visit Sefton and West Lancs, the Pier to Pier cycling route stretches 21 miles from Southport to Wigan.

A team of cyclists representing Burscough Wharf met at The Carousel in Southport, along with fellow participants from across the region.

Mayor of Sefton, Councillor Maureen Fearn officially opened the Southport route, while simultaneously the Mayor of Wigan, Councillor William Rotherham was opening the Wigan route.

Cyclists were escorted by a team of riders from Visit Sefton and West Lancs, overseeing a rider–friendly and safe route to Burscough Wharf through some beautiful countryside. Arriving at the Wharf around one hour later, the team were met by fellow participants cycling from Wigan.

Official celebrations were opened at the Wharf by the town crier and the Mayor of West Lancs, Councillor Iain Ashcroft.

Visitors enjoyed a display of vintage bicycles, while stalls promoting safe cycle riding offered free high–vis jackets and puncture repair kits.

Meanwhile, there was live entertainment from singers, Jenni Eckersley and Sara Hatton, along with comedy antics from members of The Bread and Butter Theatre Company, Greenfinger Folk and Mr Stretch and Mr Armstrong. The Blue Mallard prepared a special BBQ for cyclists before they started their return journey.

Councillor Martin Forshaw, West Lancs Council's portfolio holder for planning and development, said: "Staff and volunteers deserve a lot of praise for setting up the Pier to Pier cycling route."

Councillor Adrian Owens, portfolio holder for regeneration, added: "We are very grateful to all the organisations that made the launch day such a great event. I am sure this new route will be popular with local riders and may attract tourists from outside the area."

For more information on the Pier to Pier ride go to www.visitseftonandwestlancs.co.uk.

Guides get life–saving lessons

MEMBERS of the 3rd Parbold and Dalton Guides got the chance to learn about vital life–saving skills when they were paid a visit by defibrillator campaigner, Sue Murrin–Bailey.

The former mayoress of West Lancashire, who helped to launch the Lancashire Defibrillator Campaign last year provided the guides with a practical demonstration and the chance to practice the skills they might need in an emergency.

The girls were shown how to do the recovery position, CPR and how to use the defibrillator.

Working with North West Ambulance Service, the Lancashire Defibrillator Campaign provides solutions for local communities, businesses, sports clubs and schools in the county to access high–quality life–saving defibs and training at affordable prices.

Life–saving gift for social club

Cathy Swailes receives the defibrillator from Cheryl Pickstock from North West Ambulance Service as club members look on.

By Evelyn Robinson

A SPORTS and social club in Banks is the latest venue to receive a life–saving defibrillator, thanks to a campaign in memory of a local musician.

The Heart4Heart campaign was launched in memory of drummer Reg Howard, a respected member of the local community who sadly lost his life following a cardiac arrest in August last year, by his family and friends who staged a a series of fundraising events including a memorial jazz evening, a sponsored dog walk, a 120–mile bike ride and a bowling competition.

Original aim of the campaign was to provide a defibrillator for the Fleetwood Hesketh Club but support from the community was so encouraging that it has now progressed to provide not just one, but three defibrillators.

Latest to benefit from the campaign is St Stephen's Club in Hoole Lane. Training for club members on CPR and how to use the defibrillator was held by North West Ambulance Service.

Club manager, Cathy Swailes, said: "We are honoured to receive a defibrillator from Heart4Heart following the fantastic fundraising events. The response we have had to receiving this life–saving gift has been really positive and the training session was invaluable."

Trained members of the community will now be on hand to give immediate help to anyone who suffers a cardiac arrest.

Michelle Howard, Reg's daughter, said: "We are so pleased to be able to locate a defibrillator in St Stephen's Club, which is so close to our hearts. Their support for our campaign has been phenomenal and we plan to continue our work together.

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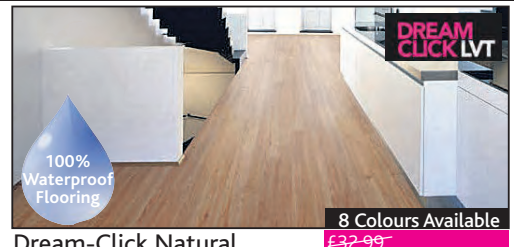

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Only the council could see a bench as an obstruction

WE'VE all got stories of various councils' occasional petty–fogging meanness (such as the withdrawal of Maghull's free dog poo bags) and sporadic stupidities (I know of at least two locations where rubbish bins were sited within yards of each other) – but I have been confronted with a council stupidity which should really be put in for an award of some kind or another.

Yesterday I trundled along to Maghull's Central Square where 'Maghull in Bloom' volunteers were putting up flower troughs and hanging baskets.

And in the course of conversation I discovered that a bench, bought by the 'In Bloom' volunteers in memory of the late Bill Dwyer (who almost single–handedly cleaned up the canal towpath through Maghull) had been moved.

With the permission of London and Cambridge Properties who own the shops on the south side of the Square, the bench had been conveniently placed so weary travellers could sit in the sun and at the same time have a good view of buses approa–ching the adjacent stop.

Nearby was a salt bin for use in the winter – that had been there for donkeys' years.

And all was well.

Until, came the day when a jobsworth from Sefton Council got to hear of it.

The Maghull in Bloom volunteers were told that the commemorative bench – and the salt bin too for that matter – were not only on Sefton land (which came as news to London and Cambridge as well) but was causing an obstruction.

It seems London and Cambridge do indeed own nearly all of the land – but not the first two paving flags' width running along the west side at the rear of a doctor's surgery.

So since the bench was in fact on Sefton's four feet or so of a wide walkway it was deemed an obstruction.

The only reasonable site nearby on London and Cambridge land is about 15 yards away, directly facing the shop fronts, out of the sun for much of the time and no use at all for intending bus passengers.

Bill Dwyer would probably have seen the funny side. After all, he spent years battling with the then British Waterways who seemed hell bent on preventing anyone from clearing the litter from the canal banks – a task which they singularly failed to do themselves.

I confess though that the humour largely escaped me. A bench, mainly for the elderly, is deemed an obstruction. I suppose that the guardians of the public good at Sefton Council are thinking of the blind and partially–sighted.

Which may sound reasonable – until you take a look at the various bits of street furniture that the same body countenances apparently quite happily.

We have lamp–posts, a veritable scrapyard's worth of restrictions and other traffic signs littering the walkways. Not to mention the dreaded wheelie bins.

All of which, no doubt, Sefton are satisfied the blind and partially–sighted can somehow sense.

But, coming from a council who have fought a war on shops' 'A' boards advertising their wares, yet will allow tables and chairs on pavements far narrower than that near the old bench site – providing you pay for a licence, which somehow makes them visible to the blind – this should have come as no surprise at all!

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Residents meet MP to voice concerns over wind farm plan

Fears raised over noise and environmental impact

ROSIE Cooper has met with residents to listen to their concerns about plans to build a large wind farm in Great Altcar.

Residents are concerned with the height of the turbines, at 450 ft, the distance from their homes and the potential noise and environmental impact.

The West Lancs MP said: "I understand it is thought that West Lancashire is a good location for wind turbines but we can't have a situation in which we become the dumping ground for large–scale wind turbine projects.

"The site in Great Altcar is located within the green belt and the area has dozens of listed buildings and acres of prime agricultural land. Local residents believe these proposals would be damaging to the local community and the surrounding areas.

"I accept that as a country we need to do more to reduce our reliance on fossil fuels but we must strike a balance between views of local residents who will have to live with these developments and our energy requirements as a whole."

The turbines will extend to a height of about 450 feet – the same height as the Radio City Tower in Liverpool. Local residents have contacted Rosie objecting to the plans because of potential noise, environmental and health and safety implications.

Plans for the proposed site, stretching across several square miles and including 24 turbines, masts, access tracks and a substation in Great Altcar, are expected to be formally submitted to the borough council in October.

Ms Cooper has written to West Lancs Council to raise residents' concerns.

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West Lancs Light Railway takes part in treasure hunt challenge

THE WEST Lancashire Light Railway in Hesketh Bank is taking part in a challenge for children with prizes worth £1,000 to be won.

Chris Vine, author of the popular children's book series, Peter's Railway, has created the Great Railway Treasure Hunt, which challenges youngsters across the UK to visit the country's steam railways, answering questions as they go.

He said: "Steam railways inspired me to become an engineer and the books are my way of passing on my passion for science and engineering to youngsters. The Great Railway Treasure Hunt aims to get them out to see real engineering, live on steam railways."

More than 50 of Britain's heritage railways and museums across the country are taking part in the challenge.

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Aimée Higgins, from the Great Railway Treasure Hunt, said: "The more venues that families go to and answer questions for, the more points they can win. The family that wins the most points will get a £500 prize and there are lost of other prizes to be won."

Quiz sheets for each venue can be downloaded from PetersRailway.com.

Many railways are offering their own prizes as well including family tickets, guided tours, and goodie bags.

The treasure hunt is free to enter and open to children 14 years old and under, with the competition closing on September 30.

The top prize is £500 for the top–scoring entrant, £250 for the runner–up and a further £250 for the entrant who has visited the most railways or museums by autumn.

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Panthers' charity run in memory of Kathryn

MEMBERS of a local running club are once again staging a charity event in memory of a former colleague.

The Parbold Pink Panthers are holding their second annual Kathryn's Hilly Run in conjunction with Parbold Village Festival on Saturday, July 13.

Starting and finishing at Alder Lane Playing Fields, entrants will tackle a 5k multi–terrain route in memory of former Panthers member, Kathryn Curran, a mother–of–three who lost her brave fight against cancer in 2011 at the age of 34.

Entry fee for the over–16s only event is £5 with all proceeds going to Queenscourt Hospice.

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Bryan reveals the real–life inspiration for fictional hero

Bryan Perrett Code NA

By Louisa Austin

A BOOK by a respected local author, which aims to reveal the real person on whom the fictional naval hero, Horatio Hornblower was based, has been re–released.

The popular Hornblower books by C. S. Forester, detailing the imaginary hero's exploits in the Napoleonic wars, have long been a source of fascination for Bryan Perrett, leading to the former journalist writing his book 'The Real Hornblower – The Life and Times of Admiral Sir James Gordon.'

Now the book, first published in 1997, has been re–issued by Pen & Swod Books.

Bryan Perrett, who lives in Burscough, was educated at Liverpool College and worked as defence correspondent during the Falklands and Gulf Wars. He has many historical books under his belt but finds this period particularly interesting.

He said: "Ever since C. S. Forester's fictional hero began to delight and enthrall readers, there has been speculation as to whether he was based on a real person. Several names were suggested, but the general conclusion reached was that he was a composite character.

"However, while consulting Forester's Naval War of 1812, I was surprised to discover the author had been deliberately reticent about a certain Captain James Alexander Gordon and further inspection of naval record revealed startling parallels between the careers of Gordon and Hornblower.

"Over the course of the next decade, yet more similarities were uncovered – too many, in fact to be mere coincidence.

"In telling the largely unknown story of Admiral Gordon's service career, I hope that it will be appreciated by the thousands of readers who have enjoyed the adventures of Horatio Hornblower."

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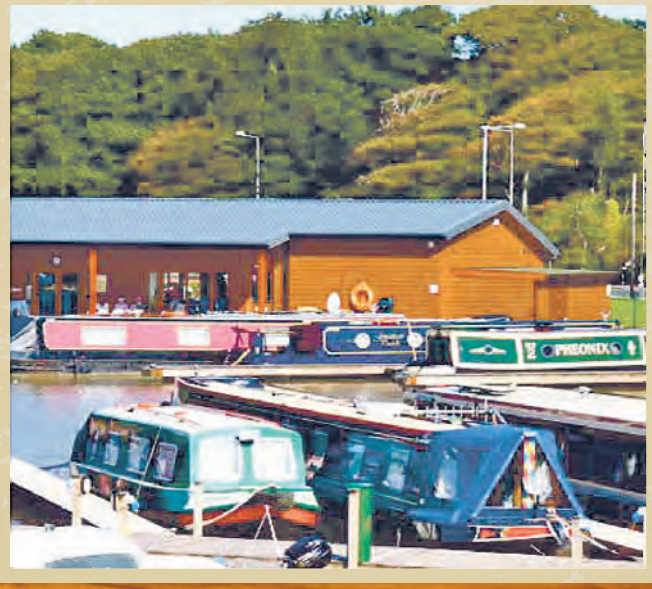

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Sue Murrin–Bailey (far right), Rob Owens (the heart) and some of the young tennis players.

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The event ran from 11am to 3pm and as well as a bouncy castle, obstacle course, keep–fit class, cycling and tennis lessons with professional coach Rob Owens, former mayoress of West Lancashire, Sue Murrin–Bailey, of the Lancashire Defibrillator Campaign, was on hand with a life–saving defibrillator.

Community First Responders who volunteer for North West Ambulance Service and also the British Heart Foundation were offering free, two–hour familiarisation sessions – plus CPR training – to members of the public who wished to find out how the defibrillators work and to give them the confidence to use one should the need arise.

Sue Murrin–Bailey said: "It was great to see so many people turn up and have fun. We are planning to have more defibrillators in Lancashire and are currently in talks with one of the local football clubs about installing one there as well."

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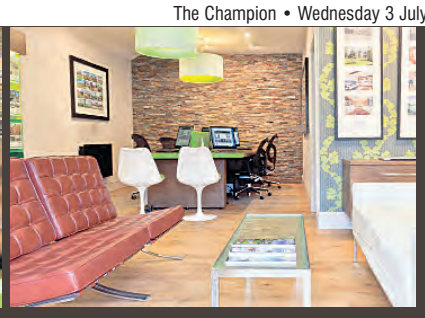

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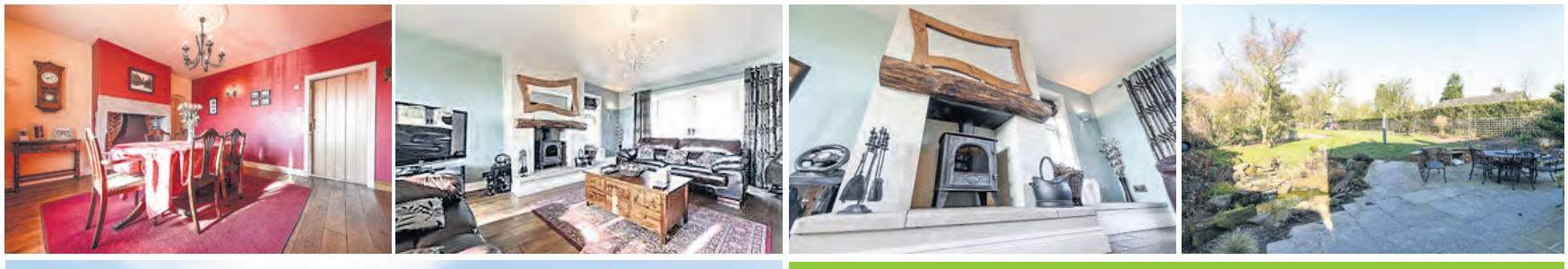

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Keep your kids busy this summer

Report by
Louisa Austin

PARENTS across Lancashire can now find out about summer holiday activities at the click of a mouse.

The Lancashire Children and Young People's Trust has put together information about activities available in each area to take the headache out of the summer holidays.

By visiting the county council's website, www.lancashire.gov.uk and searching for 'summer fun', parents can find a range of activities provided by different organisations to keep children and young people happy for hours.

In addition to the website, district children and young people's trusts are producing guides with details of the activities in their area. These will be available in schools, libraries, children's centres, doctors' surgeries, community centres and other public buildings.

Richard Cooke, Lancashire Children and Young People's Trust manager, said: "The summer holidays are a great time for children, but for their parents, it can be a real headache thinking of things to do to keep them occupied over the six–week break.

"The Lancashire Children and Young People's Trust have put all the details online making it quick and easy for people to find out what activities are on offer in their area.

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Pay day loan warning to residents

AN ONLINE store has been created with monthly deals and discounts which hopes to tempt West Lancashire buyers away from pay day loans and payment stores.

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Some of the performers who took part in last Friday's Newburgh s Got Talent 2013. Code1059716

Smiles and songs at talent show!

Report by
Danielle Thompson

SOME of the region's top performers turned out in style recently for Newburgh's Got Talent.

The competition saw singers, bands, dancers and those skilled with various instruments playing their part to win the top prize of five hours in a recording studio.

It was a tough contest but eventually the outright winners were four–piece band Parallel Oreos, who have been together for about a year and will take up the offer of time in Studio 410 in Rufford.

Parallel Oreos are made up by Adam Critchlow on drums, James Harland on bass, George Morgan on vocals and guitar, and Hassan Hussain on guitar and keyboards. The boys, all aged 13, are in Year 8 at Bolton School.

The annual event, which has been held on the Friday night of Newburgh Fair Week for the last 18 years was judged this year by Dave Cottrell from Studio 410, the headteacher at Newburgh School, Janice Reynolds and headteacher from Burscough Priory, Catherine Edens.

This year's entrants included dancers, singers, bands and musical instrumentalists from all over the area, including Newburgh, Burscough and Parbold.

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Branagh's Macbeth to be screened to Parbold

Picture House listings released

Report by **Henry James**

Kenneth Branagh Code NA

BOSSES at Parbold's Picture House have released their listings for the next three months and they include a chance to see Kenneth Branagh as Macbeth.

They are continuing the Award Winners season of films from the 2013 Oscars and BAFTA ceremonies and they are also screening more National Theatre Live performances.

The public are advised to book for the Front Row NT Live events to avoid disappointment. There is no booking facility for the regular Sunday screenings.

This Sunday (July 7) at 7pm, Quartet (Cert 12A) will be shown. It is directed by Dustin Hoffman and stars: Maggie Smith, Billy Connolly, Tom Courtenay, and Pauline Collins. It is about four friends looking for a little harmony and is a comedy of temperamental divas, old grudges, passion, pride, romance & Rigoletto. Admission: £3.50.

On Tuesday, July 16 at 7.30pm the venue is going to show the North West Film Archive presentation of 15 films made by local newsreel companies & cinema owners of the time of 1913 Royal Tour of Lancashire by King George V and Queen Mary. Duration 80 min. The Royal couple toured the county over seven days, among the places visited were St Helens, Leigh, Atherton, Chorley, Preston, Blackpool, Burnley, Nelson and others.

There will be a National Theatre Live presentation on Saturday, July 20, starting at 8.30pm of Macbeth. This stars Kenneth Branagh, in his first Shakespeare role for over a decade, as the Scottish king and Alex Kingston (Doctor Who, ER) as Lady Macbeth. It is part of the 2013 Manchester International Festival. Admission: £12.50. Front Row Box Office Tel: 01257 463878.

Zero Dark Thirty will be screened on Saturday, July 21 at 7pm. This is directed by Katherine Bigelow and stars Jessica Chastain. It is about the manhunt for Osama bin Laden and the viewer sees inside the hubs of power.

On Sunday, August 4 at 7pm Untouchable will be shown. This is based on a true story of an unlikely friendship between a French disabled millionaire and his street smart ex–con caretaker.

The Master will be screened on Sunday, August 18 at 7pm. This stars Joaquin Phoenix and is a landmark American film set in the 1950s, about the relationship between a charismatic intellectual, The Master, and a drifter who becomes his right hand man.

On Sunday, September 1 A Late Quarter will be shown at 7pm. On the eve of a world tour, a famous string quartet's 25th anniversary, their beloved cellist is diagnosed with Parkinson's and plans to leave the quartet

Carmen by Bizet is to be screened to Parbold on Tuesday, September 10 at 7pm. This production is set on a spectacular stage suspended above the water on Sydney Harbour, and it aims to be a "sizzling" outdoor staging of Bizet's famous love story. Admission: £12.50. Front Row Box Office Tel: 01257 463878

On Thursday, September 26 at 7pm there will be a National Theatre Live screening of Othello by William Shakespeare. Olivier Award–winning actor Adrian Lester (Henry V) takes the title role in Shakespeare's tale of the destructive power of jealousy. Fellow Olivier Award–winner Rory Kinnear (Hamlet, The Last of the Haussmans) plays opposite as his duplicitous ensign Iago, directed by Nicholas Hytner (Hamlet, One Man, Two Guvnors). Admission: £12.50. Front Row Box Office Tel: 01257 463878.

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Steps star to appear in Southport Panto

Report by **Ollie Cowan**

Lee Latchford–Evans will star as Jack in this years Panto

LEE Latchford–Evans from Steps has been confirmed to play the role of Jack in this year's Southport Panto.

The former pop star joins up with Kim Woodburn, the star of How Clean Is Your House & I'm A Celebrity Get Me Out Of Here.

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Charley's Aunt belongs to the 1870's

The cast of Charley's Aunt pic by Zoe Barnes Code NA

Review by **Ron Ellis**

• Charley's Aunt
• The Atkinson, Southport

LAST week I saw a play by a professional company in which one actor played the part of six men. In amateur theatre this happens, of course, because of a shortage of men. But then, six days later, I come to The Atkinson to see this production of Charley's Aunt and find six actors playing ten parts.

I suppose we have to blame the GFC (Global Financial Crisis) for the cost cutting. Probably the GFC must also explain why five out of six seats in the theatre were empty. At £14 a ticket and no celebrity name on the bill, the punters perhaps have better things to do with their money these days.

Or could it be that Charley's Aunt has finally passed its sell–by date. The basic plot is fine, as farces go, and the acting was undeniably first rate. It's just the characters they play that get up one's nose, three posh public schoolboys acting like silly asses, uncannily reminiscent of David Cameron, Nick Clegg and George Osbourne, out of touch with reality.

Mark Smedley (Charley), Jonathan Parish (Jack) and Harvey Robinson (Babs) were all excellent as the three fops, especially Robinson who dressed up as Charley's aunt.

Matthew Townsend juggled his three roles brilliantly; limping along one minute as Brassett the Butler in a bowler, then striding back on wearing a top hat as the lecherous Mr. Spettigue, the girls' ward, before quickly disappearing once more to change his coat and emerge seconds later from the wings as the stately Sir Francis, Jack's Dad.

When Katherine Senior and Kate Sharp first hove into view as the 'young' fillies, the word 'cougars', to quote modern parlance, sprang to mind but, lo and behold, another change of headgear and they became the mature Donna Lucia and her maid, Ela Delahay. Very confusing.

Far better, in my opinion, to keep the plot intact but uproot it to an East End pub in the 1970's with people like Del Boy, Minder and Arthur Daley (Yes, three men playing three parts), characters today's audience can identify with.

STAR RATING: 5 out of 10. Belongs to the 1870's.

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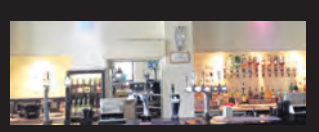

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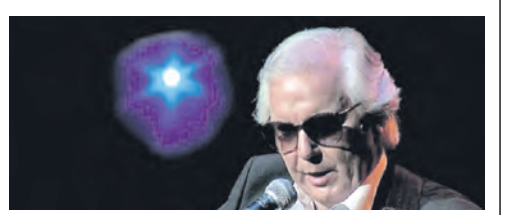

ONE of the country's top Johnny Cash tributes will bring his guitar to the new Atkinson Theatre later this month.

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HOTPOINT WASHING MACHINE Hotpoint Ultimate Extra washer. Silver. £45 07515358025

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KING SIZE BED Dunlopillo Diamond zip & link divan. No need to turn mattressVery Good Condition £125.00 01704 229496

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LARGE SOFA DFS champagne colour fabric sofa W217 D97 Very comfortable Washable colours Immaculate Can email/text pic £175 07818857724

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LIGHT FITTINGS 3 matching brass fittings, each with 3 frosted glass fluted shades. Excellent condition. Genuine reason for sale. Can send photograph £15 each 01704 574420

MATTRESS TIMES BEDS 3/4, Clifton as New, Times Beds 3/4 size Mattress pocket sprung £ £40 o.n.o. 01695577430

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MODERN DYSON DC14 upright bagless vacuum cleaner with tools, white and silver, long reach handle £65 07752362843

NEST OF TABLES Nest of three mahonany tables with glass tops £20 01695575875

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OAK DINING TABLE Refectory style solid oak dining table. Dark oak finish. Lovely cond £40.00 o.n.o. 01704 893979

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ORECK UPRIGHT VACUUM Cleaner, lightweight, has a light on the front, in excellent condition, hypo–allergenic bag, cost £250, sell £100 01704 530137

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HOUSE AND HOME

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STEAMER silver veg steamer 3 tier like new £8 07849969950

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SUITE three piece suite 3 seater settee, 2 chairs pink pattern dralon v.g.c £75 01704536243

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TABLE & CHAIRS Rectangle shape table & 6 chairs, with material padded seats, Light Oak/Teak. £70.00 07922699993

TABLES mahogany nest of table set of three largest w18xd15xh20 £10 o.n.o. 01704536243

TALL BOY pine tall boy cupboard 2 draws on top cupboard underneath H122cm D46cm W84cm £20 01704 533269

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GARDENING

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GARDENING

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SPORTS EQUIPMENT

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APPLICATION(S) FOR PLANNING PERMISSION

Application No: 2013/0450/FUL Demolition of existing industrial buildings and erection of new factory building and offices. Alterations to existing factory including steel profile cladding to elevations and 2 no. vehicle doors. Provision of staff parking and increased yard area for loading and on-site turning area at Aqua Fabrications Ltd, Belmont House, Garnett Place, Skelmersdale.

Application No: 2013/0610/OUT Outline - Erection of 10 dwellings (all matters reserved) at 38 Newarth Lane, Hesketh Bank.
This does not (or may not) accord with the development plan.

Application No: 2013/0662/FUL Erection of two wind turbines at Cottams Farm, Shore Road, Hesketh Bank.
This does not (or may not) accord with the development plan.

Application No: 2013/0678/FUL Erection of glasshouse. Retention of front gates and hardstanding to front of site at Land Between 151 And 155, Southport New Road, Tarleton.
The proposed development affects a right of way to which Part III of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 applies.

APPLICATION(S) AFFECTING A CONSERVATION AREA / LISTED BUILDING

Application No: 2013/0682/COU Change of use from hotel and restaurant/managers flat to single dwelling house including replacement single storey extension to front/side; new entrance canopy at side; detached double garage; single storey rear extension linking dwelling to existing detached outbuilding and conversion of outbuilding to living accommodation; alterations to fenestration; reinstatement of 2 no. chimneys to side; reinstatement of 2 bay windows to ground floor front elevation; new vehicular/pedestrian access at 912 Lancaster Lane, Parbold.

Application No: 2013/0702/FUL Amendments to dwelling to accord with planning permission 2006/0530 including other minor amendments at 36 Winifred Lane, Aughton.

The applications are available for viewing on the Council's web site www.westlancs.gov.uk/planning. Alternatively, the application can be viewed during normal office hours at 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk and at 1st Floor, The Concourse, Skelmersdale. If you wish to comment on the proposal you can do so via the Council's web site, by e.mail to plan.apps@westlancs.gov.uk or in writing to the Planning Division, 52 Derby Street, Ormskirk, but these must be received within 21 days of the date of this notice quoting the application no. Any comments made will be available for public inspection.

John R Harrison DipEnvP., MRTPI Assistant Director Planning
Dated: 3rd July 2013
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(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH TRAFFIC) NOTICE 2013

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The temporary prohibition is necessary to allow carriageway resurfacing works to be carried out.

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DEATHS

HEALEY
Margaret (Greta)

Sadly passed away on 15th June 2013

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42361

DEATHS

SERGEANT
Dennis

June 26th 2013, at home aged 80 years

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DEATHS

WILKINSON
James Arthur (Jim)

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DEATHS

McDONOUGH
Brian

Aged 74 years
Died 24th June 2013

Though your smile has gone forever, and your hands we cannot touch, we still have so many memories of you Bri (Hun - Dad - Gandi) we loved so much. Your memories are in our keepsake which will never part. God has you in his keeping now and we all have you in our hearts. Good night, God bless, R.I.P.

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McDONOUGH
Brian

24th June 2013
Aged 74 years

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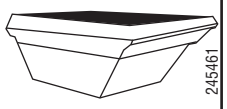
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Lewis Hamilton delivered a spectacular drive at Silverstone

IN THE middle of a summer stashed full of car shows, last weekend was all about staying in. Specifically, it was about some of the best petrolhead telly in years.

Whether you're an F1 addict or someone who – like me – occasionally dips into motorsport's equivalent of the Premier League, the British Grand Prix last weekend offered up some of the most gripping racing I've seen in ages.

Bored of Wimbledon and unsure whether I'm either too cool or not quite cool enough to get into Glaston–bury, I happily flicked over to Silverstone for a bit of V8–powered relief.

Naturally, being British, I wanted Lewis – who'd qualified on pole – to win.

If that'd happened I'm pretty sure the Queen herself would have arrived to congratulate him, the Northampton–shire circuit would have been treated to a flypast by the Red Arrows and the nation would have breathed a collective sigh of relief after realizing we can still win at something. Unfortunately, a bit of a puncture on his Pirellis, early on into the race, left him at the back of the grid.

Lewis' loss, however, was the fans' gain, because it was one of the tensest races I've seen in years. The screamer from Stevenage didn't manage to win, but he did succeed in getting from last to fourth, via some pretty spectacular driving, while Mark Webber came out of nowhere to snatch second. Meanwhile, in my living room, I grunted the excited squeak of a farmyard animal when Sebastian Vettel's gearbox gave up the ghost. Frankly, I loved the whole unpredictable spectacle.

Speaking of the predictable, I'd been counting down the days until that other great staple of petrolhead telly – Top Gear – romped back into the schedules later that evening, regardless of whether you love it or hate it.

For what it's worth, I still think there's a yawning great chasm – probably somewhere in the depths of BBC Four – for a proper, sensible TV show about all matters motoring, but that doesn't mean I didn't enjoy TG's return.

The more flak that gets thrown at Top Gear by Daily Mail readers, the stronger the show's content seems to get – and Jezza, Slow and Hamster have been through the usual barrage of pre–show criticsm. That's why I'm expecting great things from the hour I swap the driver's seat for the sofa each Sunday night.

Car shows every other weekend, some vaguely summer–esque weather to enjoy driving for a change and Top Gear on Sunday nights to round it all off nicely. Much better than standing around in a field in Somerset waiting for Mumford and Sons, I reckon!

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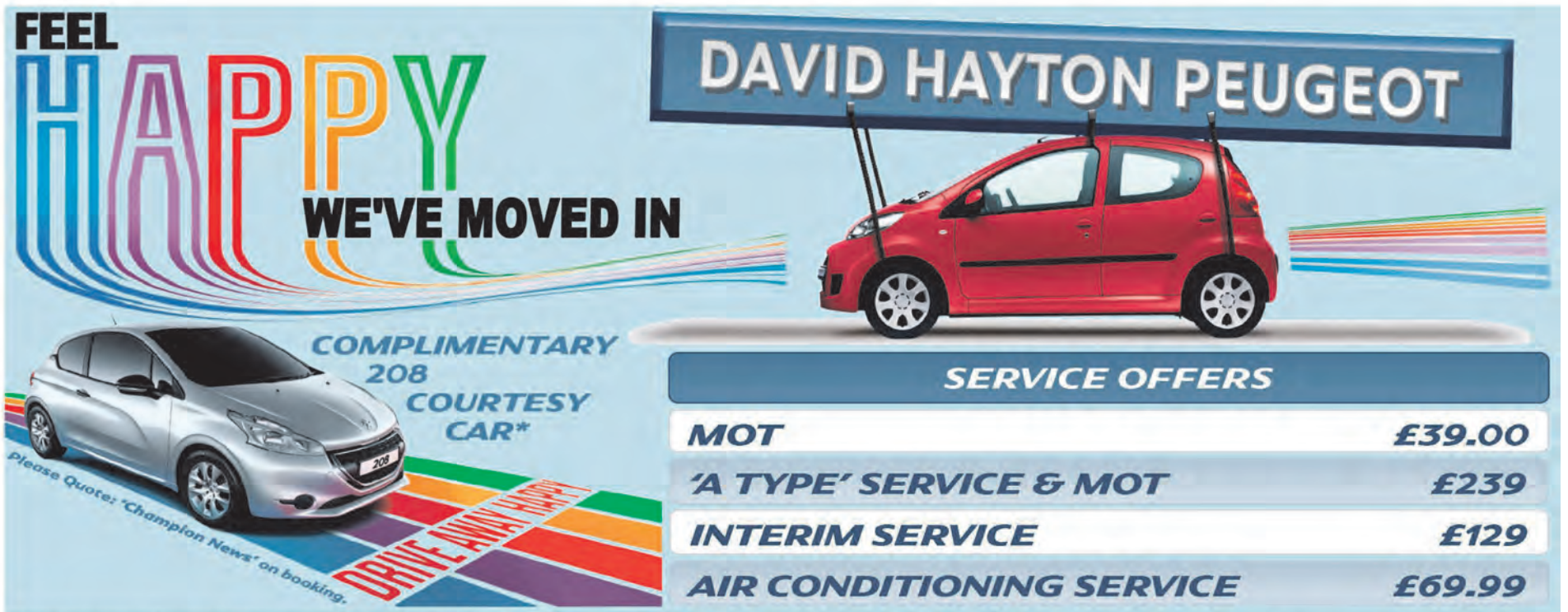

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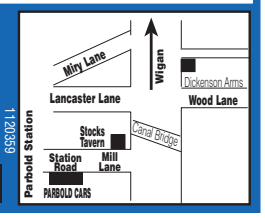

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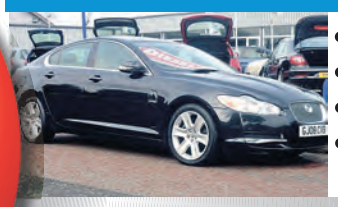

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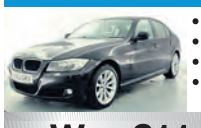

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Andrews claims six wickets for Burscough

BURSCOUGH recorded a 72 run victory at bottom placed Sutton in the Liverpool Competition Second Division. After being put into bat the visitors finally declared after 60 overs on 158–8 with Matthew White (40*), Mike Bimpson (31*) and Danny Houghton (21*) all in good touch. In reply 6–20 from opening bowler Chris Andrews then helped bowl out the hosts for just 86 to secure victory. Burscough are currently sixth in the table, one place below Skelmersdale. This weekend Burscough are at home to Caldy.

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Ormskirk close gap on leaders with 8–wicket win

Strong bowling attack help set easy target against struggling Hightown

ORMSKIRK closed the gap on Northern at the top of the Liverpool Competition Premier Division with a commanding eight wicket home win over struggling Hightown.

After deciding to bat the visitors were bowled out for 113, with only D'Arcy Short (31) and Kris Jones (29) able to offer much resistance to a bowling attack containing Lancashire squad players Simon Kerrigan (3–28), Liam Hurt (3–23) and Gavin Griffiths (2–23). In reply an unbeaten 52 from John Armstrong and 44 from opener Matty Glayzer took the hosts to victory on 121–2 in 25.4 overs.

Northern are still on top of the table after a low scoring two wicket home win over New Brighton.

After being put into bat the visitors had no real answer to Tom Sephton (6–28) and Stephen Cole (4–43) as they were bowled out for 122, with David While top scoring with 20.

In reply the hosts got off to a fine start and at 55–0 were looking very comfortable until Lancashire's Adnan Ghaus took 5–32 and they slipped to 91–6, however Paul Park (12*) held his nerve and they eventually reached 113–8 to wrap up victory, with Stephen Lucas (47) and Jack Boardman (35) top scoring.

Fleetwood Hesketh had much the better of their clash against Maghull yet only gained a one more point in a closely fought draw at Sea Cop. Batting first the hosts recovered for 6–2 and 117–7 to eventually score 211, thanks to valuable contributions from Neil Rimmer (63), Tommy Wareing (39), Andrew Watts (32), Matt Collins (25) and Steve Gregory (20) whilst Ryan Swiers (5–98) was the pick of the bowlers.

In reply Maghull looked to be in contention at 92–2 until a rush of wickets from Adnan Malik (5–36) saw the game turned on its head and the visitors desperately hanging on for a draw in the end on 136–9, with Donovan Pell (51) and Sairaj Patel (26) top scoring.

Southport & Birkdale lost by 53 runs at Wallasey. The hosts decided to bat first and were bowled out for 162, with Greg Beaver (51) and Graham Reid (41) the only players to offer much with the bat against a strong bowling attack with Jordan Bell (4–30) and Craig Todd (3–40) were both in fine form.

In reply S&B had no real answer to Neil Cross (6–41) and Andrew Ward (3–18) as they were dismissed for 109 with Matty Jackson top scoring with 25.

This weekend Ormskirk visit New Brighton.

Abbas hits superb 151 as Skem overcome promotion favourites

A SUPERB innings of 151 not out for Hasnain Abbas was the highlight of Skelmersdale's magnificent away victory at league leaders Sefton Park on Saturday.

Park are favourites to make a quick return to Division One and when they posted a score of 253 for 4 declared, the outlook seemed bleak for Skem.

The home team elected to bat first and were strugging after two quick wickets for Jonas Smith, but overseas player Justin Greaves, took the to attack the bowlers and he finished unbeaten on 116 when his team declared after 51 overs leaving Skelmersdale with a similar amount of time in which to chase.

Skem suffered an early setback when Joe Till was out LBW to Greaves without scoring. Skem then lost Peter Wylie and Jonas Smith and were struggling at 34–3, and soon Clarke was caught at lip without scoring.

It was then that Hasnain Abbas and Kyle Till salvaged the game with a mighty stand of 150. With victory in their grasp Till was bowled for 35 vital runs.

Abbas continued with the same ferocity, despatching the bowlers to all parts of the ground in an innings of 15 x 4s and 9 x 6s.

Luke Manley also enjoying himself with an array of attacking shots, and he cooly hooked a vicious bouncer from Greaves out of the ground for six as Skem passed the Sefton score in the 56th over with 5 wickets to spare.

Hero Leadbetter returns to the fold

By Neil Leatherbarrow

IT'S a new challenge for Skelmersdale United, but is manager Tommy Lawson daunted?

He is anything but and says he is looking forward to a good campaign as his players reported back for pre–season training this week.

There will be some interesting new faces at the West Lancashire College Stadium and although one or two favourites have moved on, the incoming players don't just have potential, a number have proven talent in the Evo–Stik Premier Division or higher.

Skelmersdale have a new striker in Chris Luby who has arrived from last season's promotion rivals New Mills where he built up a great reputation, a new central midfielder in Alan Burton who has Football League experience, and a new goalkeeper Zac Hibbert who has Conference Premier experience with Southport and has played in the Blue Square North for both the Sandgrounders and Burscough.

A new left sided midfielder/striker who is very well known on the local stage, Kevin Leadbetter, has also signed.

Kevin has actually won the division Skelmersdale will be playing in next season whilst with Burscough, netting one of the crucial goals on the day they won the title at Telford.

Kevin could be seen as a returning hero as he started out on his successful non–league football career with Skelmersdale around the time of the Millennium, before playing for Southport, Burscough, Marine, Kendal Town and Northwich Victoria among others. He lives in Skelmersdale too.

Lawson has not finished strengthening his squad for next season and is hopeful a twenty one year old defender will join his squad for the new season. Tommy said; "For obvious reasons I cannot divulge his name yet, but I am sure those supporters that follow the non–league scene will know about him."

The first pre–season friendly of the season kicks–off at the West Lancashire College Stadium against Bolton Wanderers on Wednesday, July 17, then Southport on Tuesday, July 23 and AFC Telford United on Saturday, July 27. The game the whole town is waiting for is against a Manchester United XI on Tuesday, July 30 for which the club points out that there are sponsorship opportunities available.

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